

WORKING DRAFT

SENATE FILE NO. _____

Veterans commission amendments.

Sponsored by: Joint Transportation, Highways and Military
Affairs Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the veterans' commission; amending the
2 term of commission chairman, as specified; providing for
3 appointment of an executive secretary of the commission;
4 specifying duties of the executive secretary; and providing
5 for an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 19-14-107(a) and by creating a new
10 subsection (d) is amended to read:

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12 **19-14-107. Creation of veterans' commission;**
13 **composition; terms.**

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1 (a) A Wyoming veterans' commission is created within
2 the military department consisting of twelve (12) members,
3 not less than one (1) of whom shall reside in each judicial
4 district identified in W.S. 5-3-101, appointed by the
5 governor for staggered terms of three (3) years.
6 Commencing with initial appointments made in 2005, four (4)
7 members of the board shall be appointed for a term of one
8 (1) year, four (4) members for a term of two (2) years and
9 four (4) members for a term of three (3) years. Terms
10 thereafter shall be three (3) years and staggered with one-
11 third (1/3) of the members' terms expiring each year.
12 Appointments shall be made without regard to political
13 affiliation, sex, religion or ethnic background. The
14 governor may remove any member as provided in W.S. 9-1-202.
15 A chairman shall be elected by the commission from among
16 its members and a new chairman elected ~~every two (2) years~~
17 annually thereafter. No person shall serve more than two
18 (2) consecutive terms as chairman.

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20 (d) The governor shall appoint an executive secretary
21 of the commission from a list of three (3) qualified
22 candidates submitted by the commission. The executive
23 secretary shall serve at the pleasure of the governor and
24 may be removed as provided in W.S. 9-1-202. The executive

1 secretary shall be a non-voting member of the commission.
2 Under the direction of the commission, the executive
3 secretary shall manage the daily operations of the
4 commission and perform other duties assigned by the
5 commission and the adjutant general. The position of
6 executive secretary shall be within the organization and
7 budget of the military department, under the supervision of
8 the adjutant general, and shall be paid a salary as
9 determined by the department of administration and
10 information.

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12 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2007.

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